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relating to mental and physical health. A most admirable undertaking—and the article in the *British Journal* for December 18, in which the plan and aims are set forth, is deeply suggestive and appealing.

THE training school for nurses in Paris has had a most satisfactory final examination, and a number of the most meritorious graduates have been placed on the permanent staff. The nurses who have received their certificates are forming a nurses' league or *alumnæ* association, a very interesting mark of the new order of things.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR WISE, speaking at the Association of Military Surgeons in Washington, declared one of the greatest needs of America is more general education among medical men. The need is felt particularly in the public service.

“I would rather appreciate the things I do not have, than to have things I do not appreciate.”—*Unknown*.

HOPES

A St. Nicholas League member in February St. Nicholas.

When I was small, I hoped for toys
And dolls and sweets galore,
And then when I was six I wanted
Books of fairy lore.

At seven, I wanted roller skates;
At eight, I yearned for wealth;
But now that I'm eleven
All I really want is health.